

MINUTES OF THE BEAVERTON SISTER CITIES ADVISORY BOARD

October 24, 2011

PRESENT: Board members: Bradley Heine, Gayle Schula, Jason Dempsey, Kellie Stellingwerf, Linda Wilson, Megan Kirkpatrick, Michael Kalkofen, Rahmiel Mitchell, Sheldon Lee, Stan Tellin and Ted Chung. BSC Program Coordinator: Theresa Baird. Council member: Ian King.

ABSENT: Brian Bost, Giselle Bawnik, Jeffrey Ressler

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 5:30 pm

MINUTES: Minutes of the June meeting were approved with one change with a unanimous vote after a motion by Sheldon and a second by Stan.

UPDATE FROM CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION OCT. 4TH: The Board Members that attended the City Council meeting on Oct. 4th discussed their impressions of the feedback and reaction to the Sister City presentation. The consensus seems to be to determine if Sister Cities should be economically focused or culturally focused. What would be most valuable to the City of Beaverton and the community? The point was made that the cultural exchanges the Sister Cities program creates is a connection to these cities which opens up an avenue for economic exchange – even if the main goal of the Sister Cities is not directly focused on economic development.

NON-PROFIT STEERING COMMITTEE Theresa opened discussion for the Advisory Board member to recommend candidates for the Steering Committee/Task Force. The purpose of this Task Force would be to establish the nonprofit Foundation. Candidates would be from a variety of backgrounds including, law, accounting, school district administrators, corporate representatives, someone with a background in non-profit development background, fundraising experience, someone affiliated with local a cultural association but with a broad interest in benefiting the entire committee, someone with a diversity background. Theresa asked the Board members to provide her with names and recommendations for people that could participate from these various disciplines for the Mayor's consideration.

CITY OF BEAVERTON OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

City of Beaverton's Tree Lighting and Holiday Open House – December 2, 2011

The Board discussed the option of participating in the City of Beaverton's Tree Lighting and Holiday Open House on Friday, December 2nd. Rahmiel had the idea of setting up a digital presentation to showcase the photos and activities from the ISP project. Megan made a motion that the Sister Cities Board should participate in the Tree Lighting & Holiday Open House, Ted seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rahmiel volunteered to be project leader on the committee. Gayle, Ted, Kellie, Linda and Megan volunteered to help.

International Celebration – Saturday, July 28, 2012

Theresa is involved in coordinating this event and is looking for Board participation to serve as a liaison between sister cities and the International Celebration steering committee. Kellie said she is interested in participating and will be the liaison with the Board. Jason made a motion that the Board participate with a booth at the celebration with some activities, and Michael seconded. Motion carried.

PLANNING FOR SPRING 2012

2012 will be the 25th celebration of Gotemba as a Sister City. Depending on the official invitation from Gotemba, there could be the possibility of some Board members joining the delegation to Gotemba and/or the Board selecting a gift for the celebration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Ted reported the activities of the recent visit from the Choenan Choir.

ADJOURNMENT: Ted motioned to adjourn the meeting, Kellie seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00.

MINUTES TAKEN BY: Megan Kirkpatrick, secretary